

# Social Work Department

ROLE OF A SOCIAL WORKER IN  
MDR & XDR TB MANAGEMENT

# Role of a social worker.....

- Multidisciplinary team
- Knowledge and skills
- Community resources
- Psychosocial assessment

# Identifying particulars

- Tracing and locating families
- Access resources
- Tracing patients
- Overstaying“passout”
- Follow up clinic

# Family composition and background

- Identify support networks
- Primary carer and relationship
- Care and support
- Contacts
- Commitment to treatment plan
- Ongoing care
- Discharge

# Illness and background

- Non compliance in the past
- Previous treatment failures
- Prior attempts to address illness
- Traditional healers
- General practitioner

# Substance abuse

- Drugs
- Alcohol
- Rehabilitation
- Supervision

# Education

- Knowledge of TB
- Educational content provided
- Patients refusing hospital treatment
- Educating families
- Adherence and supportive
- Side effects
- Monitoring patient compliance

# Financial aspect

- Access to healthcare facility
- Arrangement with employer
- Food insecurity
- Social grants



# Housing

- Accommodation
- Discharge plan
- Relationship with neighbours
- Homeless

# Religious and cultural aspects

- Support system from spiritual practices
- Understanding of patient culture

# Counselling

- Characteristics and attitudes
- Counselling skills
- Communication skills
  
- CONCLUSION

**THANK YOU**